HOW COULD THIS HAPPEN?

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HOW DID EVERYTHING ESCALATE TO THIS LEVEL..?

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PRESENTING THE PREQUEL TO THE LEGENDARY MASTERPIECE (OR WAS IT ACTUALLY AN ABOMINATION?) HIKARI☆CLUB!!!!! SHINING LIGHT ON THE HIDDEN PAST OF THESE ECCENTRIC YOUNG MEN

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Bokura no Hikari Club

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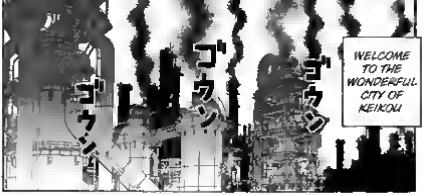
CHAPTER ONE

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE HIKARI☆CLUB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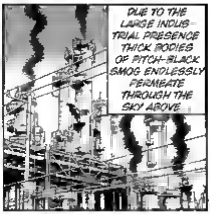
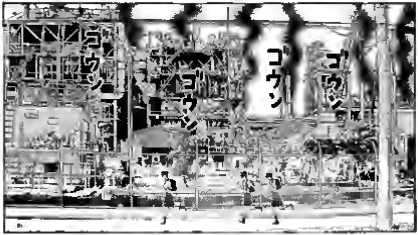
WELCOME TO THE WONDERFUL CITY OF KEIKOU

THE POLLUTION EVENTUALLY SPREADS AMONGST THE SURROUNDING CITIES TO MUCH DISSATISFACTION AND CONTROVERSY
INDEED, IT WAS A CITY WITHOUT EVEN LIGHT...


DUE TO THE LARGE INDUSTRIAL PRESENCE THICK BODIES OF PITCH-BLACK SMOG ENDLESSLY PERMEATE THROUGH THE SKY ABOVE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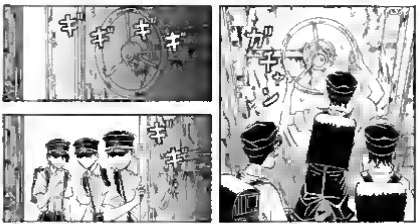
HEY TANIYA-KUN WHERE ARE YOU TAKING US?
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT! KEEP MOVING!
HOLD ON THAT SIGN SAYS "NO TRESSPASSING"
NO TRESSPASSING
QUIT WHINING! NOTHING'S GONNA HAPPEN!
MAYBE WE SHOULD GO BACK.
YOU'RE STARTING TO PISS ME OFF, MAN~
JUST FOLLOW ME, EVERYTHING'S GOLDEN!

REGARDLESS THEY CREATED THESE OWN AMUSEMENT PARK OF SORTS... WITHIN THE NEGLECTED AREAS OF THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR.
FINALLY! OVER HERE
GAH!
GENERALLY THE YOUNG RESIDENTS OF KENOU WERE RELUCTANTLY FORCED INTO AN UNHEALTHY AND IMPOVERISHED LIFESTYLE BECAUSE OF THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR.
THESE CHILDREN HAD NO LUXURIES SUCH AS AMUSEMENT PARKS TO SPEND THEIR IDLE TIME PLAYING AROUND.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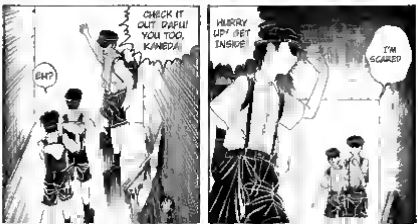

CHUCK IT OUT DAPU! YOU TOO, KANEDA!
EH?
HURRY UP! GET INSIDE!
I'M SCARED

FINALLY, WE CAN CLAIM OUR VERY OWN PRIVATE SECRET BASE!!

TOLD YA GUYS!
DOPE CAN'T FORGET MYSELF I'M TANIYA HIROSHI
FRIGGIN AMAZING TANIYA-KUN
F-
KANEDA FOR SHORT
AND MY OTHER BEST BUDDY KANEDA RIKU
WHAT IS THIS PLACE?
WHOA.
DAIFU FOR SHORT
THIS GUY'S MY BEST FRIEND TABUSE KATSUYA.
HOLY CRAP, THAT'S WAY TOO COOL!
YOU GUYS ARE GONNA LOVE THIS! THIS STAIRCASE IS A WORKING CONVEYER BELT!!
RIGHT NOW, OUR LITTLE TRIO IS IN FOURTH GRADE
THAT YEAR, WE STUMBLED ACROSS AN ABANDONED INDUSTRIAL PLANT.
AHA HAHA!
WHOA, THAT'S FREAKY!!
HYAAA AHHHH!

ACCURACY 100%!!
NICE SHOT TAMEYA KUN!
HEHEH
Pop
CALM DOWN AND TIGHTEN YOUR GRIP!!
YOU'RE GONNA BONK YOURSELF IN THE EYE SHAKING LIKE THAT KANEIVA
A-AL RIGHT
YOU'RE IN THE HOT SEAT NOW KANEDA!
AHAHAHA! ARE YOU GONNA MAKE IT, BUD?
WAAAAN
WHY THE HECK DID YOU LET GO OF THE SLINGSHOT FIRST!?
BLEAH!

EH?
DAFU
JUST YANKING YOUR CHAIN, MAN. I'D NEVER PULL THAT ON YA!!
HAHA!
TIME TO SHINE
ARE YOU CRAZY, TAMIYA-KUN?
HYA-AAH!
PEOPLE ALREADY KNOW ME AS THE INFAMOUS GUNSHOT EXPERT IN OUR CLASS
MAINTAIN A TIGHT GRIP!
DON'T PULL A KANEDA, NOW

CHECK-MATE!!
THEREFORE I DECIDED IT WOULD BE BEST TO TRY OUT OTHER THINGS. OTHERWISE ONE DAY I'LL BE KNOWN AS A ONE-TRICK PONY INSTEAD

WONDER IF THERE'S A SINGLE KID IN THE UNIVERSE THAT COULD BEAT TAMIYA-KUN AT CHESS.
DON'T HAVE TO RUB IT IN, MAN.

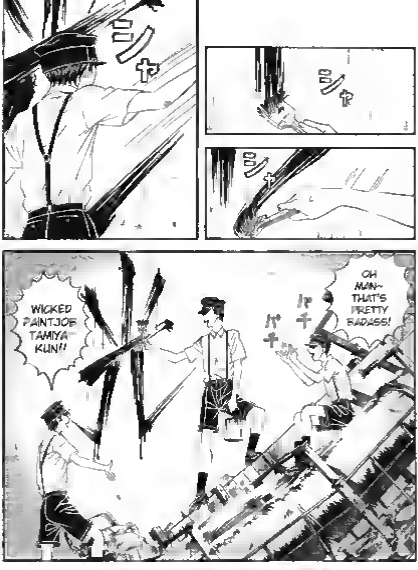
YOU GUYS KIND OF SUCK
WELL THAT WAS LAME

COME ON, GUYS. I'VE GOT A SWEET IDEA THIS TIME!!

SWEET IDEA, YOU SAY?

AWWW MAAA AAN!
HMMM, HOW ABOUT SPECIAL TRAINING?

KANEDA RIKU
TAKE-ICHI HOKKA-MARU
TARUSE KATSUYA
TANIYA HIROSHI
KANEDA RIKU
HI-KA-RI?
HIKARI CLUB?
HIKARI CLUB!? AWESOME!!
IT'S THE HIKARI CLUB!!
YEAH, LET'S GIVE OUR SECRET BASE A SECRET NAME!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WICKED PAINTJOB TAMIYA-KUN!!
OH MAN~ THAT'S PRETTY BADASS!
EVERY SINGLE DAY WE'D FIND OUR TIME IN THE CLUB WAS NEVER ENOUGH.
MORE THAN ANY THING, ESTABLISHING OUR SECRET PLAYGROUND FINALLY BROUGHT SOME EXCITEMENT INTO OUR MUNDANE LIVES.

BEFORE WE EVEN REALIZED WE ENTERED THE FIFTH GRADE
CLASS YEAR 5 5
AS THE DAYS PASSED BY
SAME HERE!
WHAT? MINE TOO!
MY LUNCH MONEY'S MISSING!!
IT'S GONE!
HUH?
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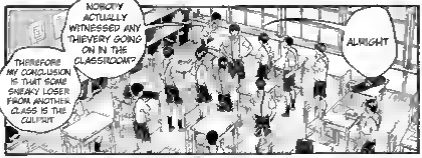
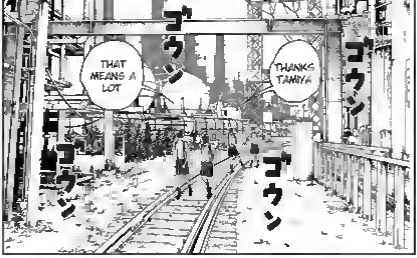
BUT I DIDN'T STEAL ANYTHING HAMA-SATO KUN
EH
ISHIKAWA DEFINITELY POCKETED OUR LUNCH MONEY
TCH GOTTA BE THIS PUNK

TCH, YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG GUY
YOUR FAMILY AIN'T GOT MONEY FOR YOU IN THE FIRST PLACE!
NO POINT DEFENDING YOURSELF. EVERYBODY ALREADY KNOWS YOU'RE THE CULPRIT!
HUH?
KANEDA STOLE THE CLASS'S MONEY
OVER THERE!
HEY! CUT THAT OUT!
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO PULL, HAMA-SAITO?
REALLY NOW!? YOU'RE IN DEEP SHIT, KANEDA!
HAH! YOUR BUDDY HERE'S A CRIMINAL
TAMIYA-KUN~
AREN'T I INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY~?


NOBODY ACTUALLY WITNESSED ANY THIEVERY GOING ON IN THE CLASSROOM?
ALRIGHT
THEREFORE MY CONCLUSION IS THAT SOME SNEAKY LOSER FROM ANOTHER CLASS IS THE CULPRIT

LIKE THAT MATTERS
THE IMPORTANT FACT IS ISHIKAWA DOESN'T HAVE EVERYONE'S CASH
HOLD THE PHONE ISHIKAWA'S THE ONLY ONE WHO DIDN'T GET ROBBED!

TAMIYA
ISHIKAWA'S TOO KLUTZY TO PULL OFF A HEIST LIKE THIS!
NO DOUBT ABOUT IT OUR THIEF'S NO SLOUCH!



HOW COME YOU'RE ALWAYS DOWN IN THE DUMPS? MAKES IT SEEM LIKE YOU'RE GIVING THE WHOLE CLASS THE EVIL EYE. TRY SMILING ONCE IN A WHILE
HEY ISHIKAWA

NOTE: THE SFX FOR "GRIN" IS "NIKO" HENCE HOW NICO GOT HER NICKNAME

THAT WAY, YOU'LL REMEMBER TO KEEP SMILIN' DAY AFTER DAY, NICO
'PERFECT' FROM NOW ON, YOUR NICKNAME'S NICO

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SEE YA LATER NICO

TAMIYA
FORGIVE ME
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AFTER ALL THAT GRUMP TRIED TO PIN THE BLAME ON ME!!
RE-JECTED~

HEY GUYS
HUUHH?
MAYBE ACTUALLY A PARTY COULD HELP GET TO KNOW HIM THAN WE DO?..
LET HIM IN THE CLUB?

ONLY WAY YOU'LL GET ME TO ACCEPT HIM IN THE CLUB IS IF ME AND KANEDA CAN BOSS HIM AROUND LIKE OUR PER-SONAL MAN SERVANT!
YEAH, I AGREE SOMETHING ABOUT HIM BOTHERS ME.

AH, SCREW IT! LET'S KICK SOME HARD-CORE PAWNS N CHESS!!
SURE.
OHO
I SWEAR, THERE'S NO REASONING WITH EITHER OF YOU SPOIL-SPORTS.
TAKE THIS!! NO MERCY!!
CHECK-MATE! YOU UNDERESTI MATED MY KNIGHT
WAH- WE'LL NEVER WIN-
TAMIYA-KUN, YOU'RE INVINCIBLE-
WHAT'S SO EXCITING GENTLE-MEN?

YOUR LITTLE GAME THAT IS
QUITE INTRIGUING

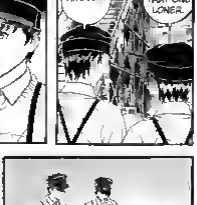
TSUNE KAWA HE'S A TRANSFER STUDENT
WAIT WHO'S THAT GUY?

I'M ALLOWED?
PERHAPS YOU'LL INTRODUCE ME TO CHESS
GET DOWN HERE!

HMPH
AH RIGHT THAT ONE LONER.

YEP WE CALL OURSELVES THE HIKARI CLUB.
LIGHT?

KANETA AND PAFU
THESE GUYS ARE MY PART MENS IN CRIME



TAMIYA
FINALLY THE ONE AND ONLY LEADER OF THE HIKARI CLUB.

WHADDYA MEAN, HE'S ALREADY DISCOVERED OUR HIDEOUT MAN
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
YOU'RE EVEN LETTING THAT CREEP IN?

PSST TAMIYA KUN

YOU'LL ACCEPT ME?

WELL, INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR HIKARI CLUB?
WHA-DDYA SAY!?

FINE!
HEHE. NO OBJECTIONS FROM ME... LONG AS DAFU AND T CAN ORDER HIM AROUND TOO!

FOR SURE.

OOH, HE'D MAKE THE PERFECT HENCHMAN!

YOU'VE MADE AN EXCELLENT CHOICE
TAMIYA-KUN
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THE HIKARI CLUB WAS STILL OURS...
AT THAT POINT IN TIME...

says

- Present-ng the prequel to the legendary masterp ece (or was it actually an abomination?) Litchi ™Hikari Club
Shin ng-ight on the h dden past of these eccentr c young men.

Annnnd the abom-nat-on th-ng was your add-t on or actually part of the script?

- I th nk I asked that before but I can t remember

says

- no
- the kanji used for masterpiece
- has a second reading
- and I put that in there

says

- ok

says

- because I figured it was a Furuya pun or something

says

- probably

says

- there was a third meaning which was boner
- but I was like
-
- too much

translation: stealth momo

editing: elagabalus

MAN, WHAT A SLOW-POKE HE CAN'T KEEP UP!!
TAKUYA
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ドタドタ
ドタドタ

CAN YOU IMAGINE THAT? SOMEBODY SLOWER THAN ALL OF US!
DAFU
AHA HAHA!
KANEDA

A SINGLE OUTSIDER, TSUNEKAWA THE TRANSFER STUDENT HAS INVADED OUR RANKS
WITHIN OUR FRESHLY FOUNDED HIKARI CLUB,

THE SECOND PEEK INTO THE FOUNDATION OF THE LEGENDARY TSUCHIKAWA CLUB, FOLLOWING THE ECHOES INTO THE PAST!!
AT THIS POINT IN TIME...
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Bokurano Tsuchikawa Club
[CHAPTER TWO]
TSUNEKAWA☆BOY GENIUS
THE HEARD CLUB WAS STILL UNDER THE CONTROL OF ITS THREE FOUNDERS, KAWADA, IMAI, AND MYSELF...
古屋兎丸
Usagiya Furuya

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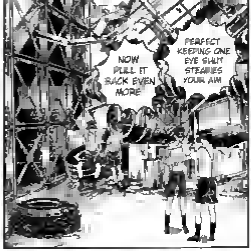
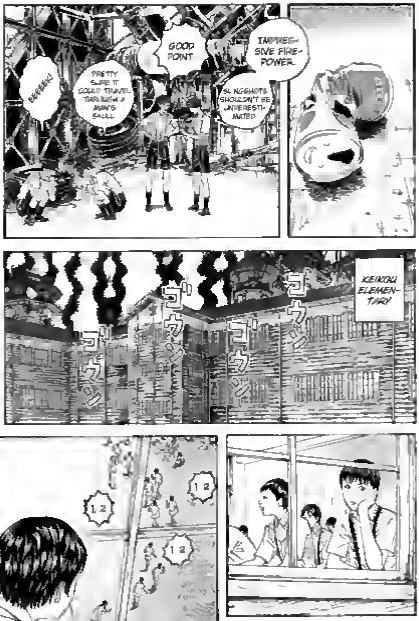
CHECK-MATE!
...
HE-HEH
Y-YEAH, TAMIYA-KUN S INVINCIBLE! NOBODY CAN BEAT HIM!
WOW! YOU HUNG IN THERE PRETTY WELL, TSUNE-KAWA!
DON'T TAKE IT PERSON-ALLY TSUNE KAWA.
SORRY COULDN'T HOLD BACK ANY LONGER!


NOW PULL IT BACK EVEN MORE!
PERFECT KEEPING ONE EYE SHUT STEADIES YOUR AIM

FURTHER, STRETCH THAT BABY OUT!
KEEP A TIGHT GRIP UNTIL YOU REACH YOUR SHOULDER!
HOW'S THIS?

FIRE!!


GOOD POINT
IMPRESSIVE FIRE-POWER.
ALRIGHT! SHOULDN'T BE UNDERESTIMATED
PRETTY SURE I COULD TRAVEL THROUGH A WARP'S SKILL.
DEFENSE!
KEIKOU ELEMENTARY
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HE'S ALWAYS STUDYING THE PE CLASSES ON THE SIDE LINES
THAT ONE KID

HEY FREAK IF YER A REAL APE, START CLIMBIN TREES LIKE ONE!!
SHEESH, OUT LUNKY HE'S LIKE A FOUR EYED CHIMPANZEE BABY!

YEAH MAN, YOU GOTTA SPEAK THEIR LANGUAGE. HOOH HAH BANANA!!
WHAT'S THE MATTER? CAN'T U UNDERSTAND HUMANS?

MAN, WHO GAVE THAT MONKEY A GODDAMN CALCULATOR? HE KEEPS STARING AT IT LIKE HE'S IN A TRANCE!
HEY, THAT REMINDS ME. WE GOT OURSELVES ANOTHER FOUR-EYE!! APE. WOULDN'T HE WORK AS HIS MATING PARTNER?

GYA HAHA HAHA!
YOU AND CALCU-LATOR!
FOUR-EYED MONKEY BROS FOR LIFE!!
MONKEY FREAKS!
FOUR EYES!
ORANG-UTAN!
FOUR EYES!
FOUR EYES!
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HEY MAN.
HOW WAS HAPPENED GOAL THERE JOKERS WERE BULLYING YOU GUYS PRETTY HARD

WHAT?
TELL HIM, RAFU!
S-SURE UMMM, LIKE...
AIN'T THAT RIGHT, KANEDA?
JUST KEEP AN OPTIMISTIC OUTLOOK IN THINGS. YOU'VE GOT PLENTY OF GOOD QUALITIES GOING FOR YOU, TOO.
OKAY YOUR LEGS REALLY AREN'T THAT SPINDLY OR LANKY
AGAIN?
HMMMM WELL, YOU AREN'T EXACTLY WHAT I'D DESCRIBE AS CHEEKPLE, BUT THINKING ABOUT STUFF LIKE HEATH DOESN'T MAKE YOU DEPRESSED EITHER.
LOOK! WE'RE ALL WALKING THE SAME PACE, EVEN!
YOUR TURN, KANEDA
PRECISELY BECAUSE I CAN INTERNET THEIR THOUGHT PROCESSES I'VE ALREADY PREPARED TO DISRUPT THEIR CONDUCT DURING THE NEXT INSTANCE.
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
LISTEN, IF THOSE GUYS GIVE YOU CRAP EVER AGAIN COME TO ME I'LL TAKE CARE OF THINGS

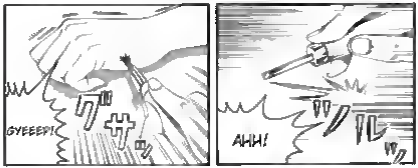
YOU TELL ME.
HEY, WHAT THE HECK'S A THOUGHT PROCESS?

PREPARING TO ENGRAVE "FOUR-EYED ORANGUTAN" INTO THE WOOD WITH A SHARP TOOL
CURRENTLY, THEY ARE VANDALIZING MY DESK.

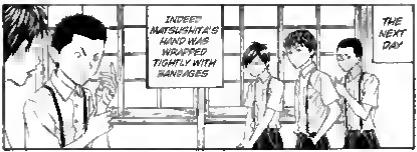
YAMADA IS MAINTAINING WATCH OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM
KIMURA IS THE ENGRAVER.
MATSUSHITA IS CLOSELY OBSERVING HIS HANDIWORK

VARNISH?
THE FACE OF MY DESK HAS BEEN LACQUERED WITH VARNISH TO INCREASE ITS RESILIENCE
I'VE ANTICIPATED EVERYTHING

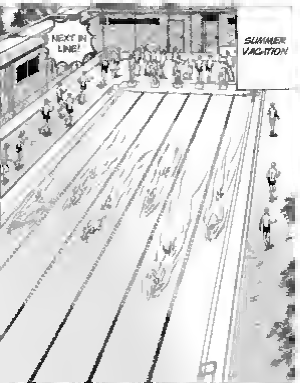
HAND IT OVER! I'LL DO IT!
I CAN'T CHIP ANY THING...
WHAT THE HECK!?
WHY'S IT SO DAMN TOUGH?


GYEEEP!
AHH!

AND FINALLY, MATSUSHITA'S HAND WILL BE PIERCED INDUCING EXCRUCIATING PAIN
GYAAAA-OOOOWWWW!!

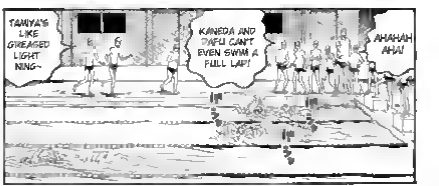

INDEED, MATSUSHITA'S HAND WAS WRAPPED TIGHTLY WITH BANDAGES
THE NEXT DAY

COVERED WITH SCRATCHES INDICATING AN ENGRAVING ATTEMPT
TSUNEKAWA'S DESK WAS ALSO CLEARLY


NEXT IN LINE!
SUMMER VACATION

JUST LIKE HE PREDICTED
CRAZY

AWAPH
AAAGH
GASP!
GAGH!
AHAGH


TAMIYA'S LIKE GREASED LIGHTNING-
KANEDA AND TAFU CAN'T EVEN SWIM A FULL LAP!
AHAHAH AHA!

HAH EVEN AFTER I SPENT ALL THAT TIME SHOWING YOU GUYS THE MOPED--
DO THEY THINK WE'RE FISH OR SOMETHING!?
25 METERS IS BEYOND THE HUMAN LIMIT!

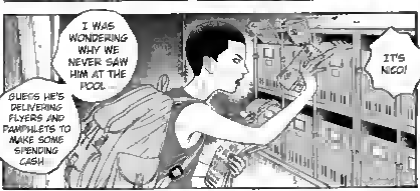
WE'D JUST DROWN IF WE TRIED THAT!
NOPE!

REMEMBER?
BEND YOUR ELBOWS AND KEEP YOUR HEAD STILL.

THEN WE HAVE TO PLAY OLD MAID!
SOUNDS LIKE A PLAN
WHADDYA SAY WE HOST A SWEET SLEEPOVER AT ALI'S HOUSE TONIGHT?
YOU SURE LOVE PLAYING OLD MAID KANEDA!

WITH A LITTLE BIT OF EFFORT, ANYBODY CAN STAY AFLOAT GUYS~
LET'S CALL IT FOR NOW

CHECK IT OUT!


I WAS WONDERING WHY WE NEVER SAW HIM AT THE POOL.
GUESS HE'S DELIVERING FLYERS AND PAMPHLETS TO MAKE SOME SPENDING CASH.
IT'S NICO!

HE'S PUTTING ALL HIS ENERGY INTO WORKING EFFICIENTLY.
LEAVE HIM BE.

SHHH!
NI-MPSH!

SPENDING TIME TOGETHER, SUMMER VACATION FLEW BY IN A FLASH OF LAUGHTER AND EXCITEMENT

EVERY DAY CALISTHENICS

SLEEP-OVERS

POOL

TOWERING THUNDERCLOUDS BEGAN TO PEEK THROUGH THE THIN GAPS IN THE FUMES MUCH TO OUR PLEASURE
WHILST THE FACTORIES CHURNED OUT ENDLESS WAVES OF JET BLACK SMOG,

IMMEDIATELY, TSUNEKAWA'S SUMMER PROJECT IMPRESSED THE ENTIRE SCHOOL.
CLASS 1 YEAR 5
EVENTUALLY, OUR BREAK CAME TO AN END.
WALK
WHOAA AAA!
HOLY CRAP, IT CAN WALK!
VEEE
WHEEE
QUICK-TURN LEFT!
EEEE

I CAN'T BELIEVE WHAT I'M SEEING!
FREAKIN' AMAZING!
GULP!
SWIPE
THIS MACHINE CANNOT BE PURCHASED IN ANY STORE
W WHERE DID YOU BUY THIS AWESOME TOY?
HE'S MY ORIGINAL CREATION ONE OF A KIND
BEHAVIORAL SYSTEMS MUST ALSO BE PROGRAMMED TO INTERPRET COMMANDS INTO AN ELECTRONIC SIGNAL
ESSENTIALLY, PROPER PROGRAMMING FOR AUDIO FREQUENCY RECEPTION MUST BE ESTABLISHED IN ORDER FOR IT TO ACCEPT VOCAL COMMANDS.
I WANT ONE! PLEASE!!
MAKE ONE FOR ME TOO!
TSUNE-KAWA, YOU'RE A GENIUS!!

COOL
SO
THAT DAY, THERE WAS AN UNSTOPPABLE FLOOD OF STUDENTS PASSING THROUGH CLASS 5-1'S ROOM
WORD SPREAD LIKE WILDFIRE AND KIDS FROM EVERY SINGLE CLASS SHOWED UP TO WITNESS TSUNEKAWA'S INCREDIBLE ROBOT
YOU'RE A BONAFIDE GENIUS!!
TSUNE-KAWA!
HALT!!
WALK!!

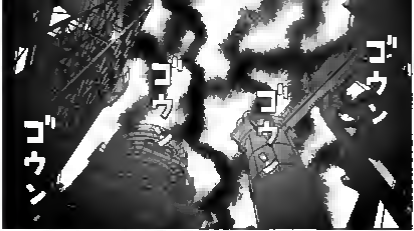
CLASS FIVE

MY FAMILY TOOK A TRIP FOR THE SUMMER.
KINDA.
YOU'RE TOTALLY FREE-MAN, YOU MUST HAVE BEEN OUT IN THE SUN ALL SUMMER LONG.
NICO

KANEDA !!
LIAR!
ALL OF US KNOW YOU WERE JUST HANDING OUT FLYERS

TAKE A HIKE! YOU HEARD ME. GET LOST!!

YOU REALLY ARE A TOUGH GUY
WORKING HARD OUT IN THE SCORCHING HEAT I RESPECT THAT
SURE
FORGET ABOUT HIM.
Y-YOU REALLY THINK SO?
NICO!
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT YOU SMILED WITHOUT ANYBODY HAVING TO FORCE YOU!
UHMMM, TAMIYA
JUST MAYBE DO YOU THINK OF US AS REAL FRIENDS?
YEP! OF COURSE I DO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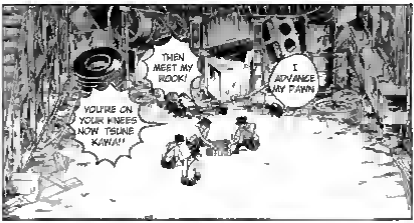
I ADVANCE MY PAWN
THEN MEET MY ROOK!
YOU'RE ON YOUR KNEES NOW TSUNE KAWA!!

HAHAH!
NICE TRY BLUFFING!!
IN PRECISELY 58 MOVES, I WILL ACHIEVE VICTORY WITH MY BISHOP!!
TANIYA-KUN.

IN THIS CASE ATTACHING KUN TO HIS NAME INDICATES A SENSE OF RESPECT AND FAMILIARITY

38
36 MOVES
37
28 MOVES
29 MOVES
40 MOVES

50 MOVES
I SHOULD'VE WON THIS GAME AGES AGO.
WAIT SOME THING'S FISHY

54 MOVES.
53 MOVES
52 MOVES
51 MOVES

FIFTY-FIVE!
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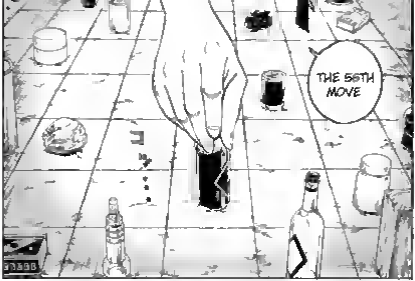
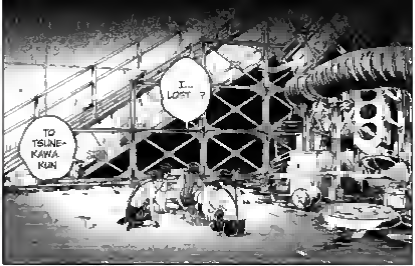
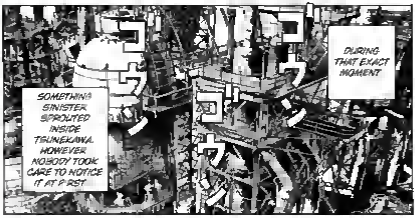

THE 56TH MOVE

TAMIYA.
CHECK-MATE VIA BISHOP.


I... LOST...?
TO TSUNE-KAWA KUN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DURING THAT EXACT MOMENT
SOMETHING SINISTER SPROUTED INSIDE TSUNEKAWA. HOWEVER, NOBODY TOOK CARE TO NOTICE IT AT FIRST.

EXCUSE ME, YOUNG MAN
COME CLOSER
OHHH HHH!
OOOOOH HHH!
OOO OOHHHH-HOOO HHHH!!
HOOOOO HHHH!

1= Summer Vacation (I totally wrote this as Summer Lactation at first ...)
2= Next in line!

Page 12 (Why do I keep imagining them swimming through a giant pool of semen)!

1= Bwagh
2= Gwehh

1= Aaagh
2= Awaph
3= GASP

1= AHAHAHAHA!
2= Kaneda and Duff can't even swim a full lap!
3= Tamiya s like greased lightning~

Page 13=

1= 25 meters is beyond the human limit!
2= Do they think we're fish or something!?
3= Man, even after I spent all that time showing you guys the ropes~

1= Remember?
2= Bend your elbows and keep your head still~

1= NOPE!
2= We'd just drown if we tried that!

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usamaru
bokura no hikari club

translation: stealth momo
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KANE-
AAAAAAAAAA!!
KANEDA!
QUIT SLOBBERING UP BEHIND ME AND GRABBING MY ASS!! H-HEY!

AMIDST REVERBERATING CONTROVERSY ANOTHER GLANCE
INTO THE FOUNDATION OF THE MASTERPIECE LITCHI☆HIKARI CLUB!!

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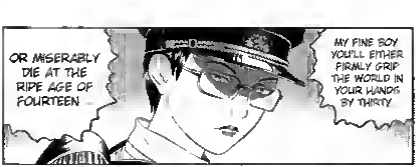
【CHAPTER THREE】
DREAMING OF☆
WORLD CONQUEST

古屋兎丸

TURN AROUND
YOU THERE, YOUNG MAN!

THROUGHOUT FIFTY SIX YEARS OF FORTUNE-TELLING I MARQUES DE MARLIO HAVE NEVER WITNESSED SUCH A SPECTACULAR PHENOMENON!!
OOOHH HA!

NOT EVEN HITLER HIMSELF POSSESSED SUCH A STAR!!
A BLACK STAR ECLIPSES YOUR VERY EXISTENCE, YOUNG MAN


OR MISERABLY DIE AT THE RIPE AGE OF FOURTEEN
MY FINE BOY YOU'LL EITHER FIRMLY GRIP THE WORLD IN YOUR HANDS BY THIRTY

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MAY I JUST REST IN THE HANDS OF A SINGLE GIRL
AND THE KEY TO IT ALL...

WAIT YOUNG MAN! YOUR PAYMENT
1000 YEN
EVEN 500 YEN IS FINE! COME BACK!

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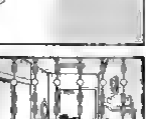
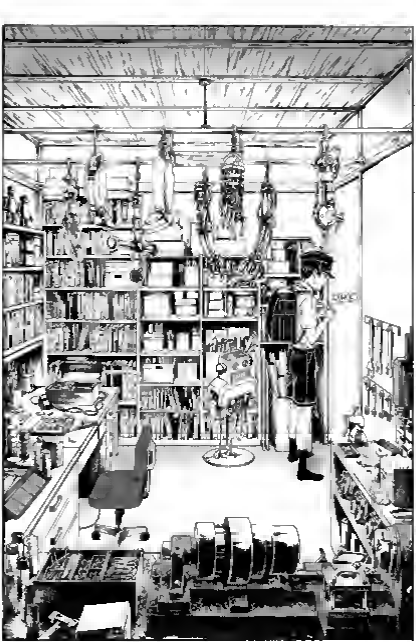

KACHA



INEXCUSABLY ILLOGICAL ABSURDITY
COMPLETELY OUTRULING IT AS A POSSIBLE OUTCOME IS NO MORE COHERENT HOWEVER.
FOURTEEN YEARS OLD. A PREMATURE DEATH.
FOUR-TEEN
SZZKT
LUNG CANCER ORIGINATING FROM THE NOXIOUS POLLUTION CIRCUMVENTING THE ENTIRE TOWN
ACCI-DENTS
HOMI-CIDE

NORMALLY, WOULDN'T I INSTANTLY DISREGARD PROPHECY AS THE WORDS OF DESPERATE FOOLS?
HAHA, AM I HONESTLY ACCEPTING THAT FORTUNETELLER'S INCOMPREHENSIBLE BABBLING AS REALITY?
FIRMLY GRIPPING THE WORLD IN MY HANDS BY THE AGE OF THIRTY AS ROUGHLY TWENTY YEARS' TIME REMAINS BEFORE REACHING THAT POINT
ACTING ON SIMPLE CURIOSITY, A SIMULATION SHALL BE PERFORMED
THIS REQUIRES A TRIAL.
HYPOTHETICALLY IF I WERE ELECTED AT AGE TWENTY-FIVE, MERELY FIVE YEARS BEHIND ORIGINALLY PLANNING CANDIDACY WOULD REMAIN TO DEDICATE TOWARDS WORLD TONGUES' IMPRESSIVELY UNREALISTIC AT BEST
EVEN ASCENDING TO THE AGE OF MAJORITY REQUIRES WAITING A FULL DECADE
FACTORING IN UNDERHANDED METHODS AND FOUL PLAY
HOWEVER, IF THERE'S EVEN A MICROSCOPIC CHANCE...
ULTIMATELY IT DEGRADES BACK TO SENSELESS RUBBISH

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FLIP

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世界史 II

IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY, THAT WRETCHED FORTUNE TELLER CLAIMED I POSSESSED A STAR ECLIPSING EVEN HITLER.
ON THE OTHER HAND

FORMATION OF THIS GROUP, WHILE CONTROVERSIAL, PROVED TO BE AN INSTRUMENTAL ATTENTION TO HITLER'S REIGN
THE GESTAPO, NAZI GERMANY'S SECRET STATE POLICE

During Nazi German
Official German police
Beginning in 1939,

ESPECIALLY TWISTED BY DESIRE POSSESSED WITH AN OBSESSION FOR REALITY LIBERATED FROM CIVIL RESTRAINTS TRUE TO HIS BLOODLINE

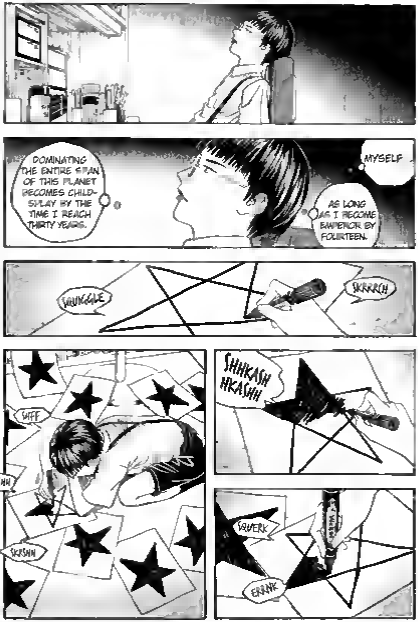
ELAGABALLUS (SOMETIMES REFERRED TO AS HELIOGABALLUS) RULED DURING ANCIENT ROME'S SEVERAN DYNASTY

ADDITIONALLY, HIS IRRESPONSIBLE AND PEDAUDEMUS BEHAVIOR RESULTED IN MANS REVOLUTION. ELAGABALLUS AND HIS MOTHER WERE DISCOVERED AND BRUTALLY MURDERED BY ROTTERS WITHIN A LAVATORY.
FREQUENTLY AND OPENLY ENGAGING IN HOMOSEXUAL RELATIONS AND CROSSDRESSING ALIKE.
ASCENSION TO THE THRONE AT FOURTEEN

TABOO LUSTFUL DESIRES BETWEEN MEN
GENDER MODIFICATION SURGERY
HOMO-SEXUALITY

INVITING GUESTS TO A BANQUET OF THIS MAGNITUDE ONLY TO METICULOUSLY SUFFOCATE THEM WITH ROSE PETALS PAINTINGS SUCH AS THIS TRULY DEFINE ART
THE ROSES OF HELIO-GABALUS

WONDROUS! WHO COULD HAVE IMAGINED SUCH AN EXECUTION METHOD EXISTED
EXE-CUTION VIA ROSES.

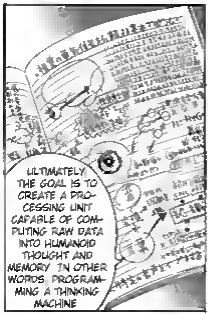

DOMINATING THE ENTIRE CONTINENT OF THIS PLANET BECOMES CHILD'S PLAY BY THE TIME I REACH THIRTY YEARS.
MYSELF
AS LONG AS I BECOME EMPEROR BY FOURTEEN.
SKRRCH
SHIII

HOW SHALL I OCCUPY THE TIME APPROPRIATELY UNTIL MY FOURTEENTH BIRTHDAY...?
FOUR-TEEN...
DATES
LAW
HISTORY
MATHS
SCIENCE

LET'S GO!
HEY!
YEAH!
キーコーコーン
WORK
WORK
SCRIBBLE
UMMM... TSUNE-KAWA-KUN
UHH!
YES?

AC-KNOWL-EDGED
I WAS TRULY IMPRESS-ED
ABOUT YOUR ROBOT.
NEVER WOULD I HAVE IMAGINED THERE'D BE ANOTHER YOUNG ASPIRING INVEN-TOR IN OUR CLASS!
FROM THE MATERIALS ASSEMBLED FOR THE CHASSIS ALL THE WAY TO THE FLUID MOTIONS? HOW I PRECISELY FOLLOWED YOUR CODE MARKS IS UNDENIABLE PROOF THAT YOUR CONFIGURATION OF THE DECENTRAL DEF CONTROL SYSTEM IS IMPECCABLE.
!
HERE'S MY PROG-RESS
STILL WORKING THE KINKS OUT OF IT'S PROGRAM-MING THOUGH.
RECENTLY I'VE BEEN TINKERING WITH SOME HOMEBREW INFORMATION INTAKE DEVICE CREATED FROM A MOTHER-BOARD CALCU-LATOR.

ALLOW ME REVIEW YOUR WORK!


ULTIMATELY, THE GOAL IS TO CREATE A PROCESSING UNIT CAPABLE OF COMPUTING RAW DATA INTO HUMANOID THOUGHT AND MEMORY. IN OTHER WORDS, PROGRAMMING A THINKING MACHINE

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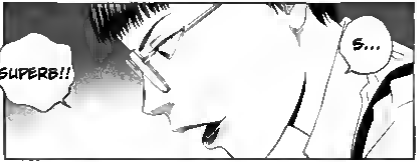
FLIP


SUPERB!!
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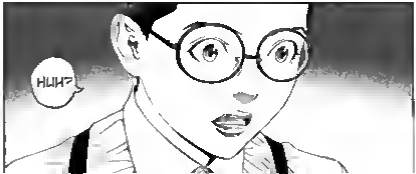
HUH?

T-TAMIYA
CLASS 2 YEAR 2
SURE THING, NICO!
WOULD YOU PLAY CATCH WITH ME?
WHAT THE HECK THAT PUNK, NIKO...

HEH. YOU'RE JUST FLUTTERING ME UP

DAMN YOU'RE A REGULAR STRONG-ARM!

HAVE A LITTLE FAITH IN YOUR-SELF MAN
NICO

...

IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN YOURSELF WHO ELSE WILL?

EITHER OF US WORRYING OVER.
I'M NOT WORTH

...

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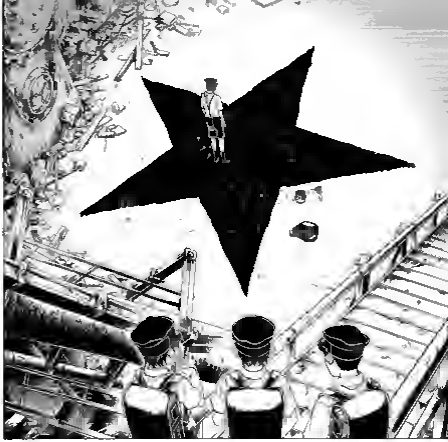
YOU SHOULDN'T HANG OUT WITH HIM ANYMORE, TAMIYA-KUN!
COME ON, HE'S A PAIN IN THE BUTT!

DO ME A SOLID AND STOP IGNORING NICO.
HEY, GUYS

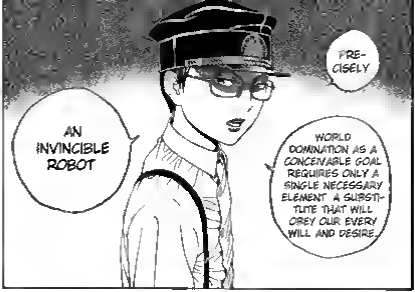
I SEE HOW IT IS~

WHOA!



YUP DEFINITELY A STAR.
A STAR?!

I'VE STARTED ASSEMBLING DIABOLICAL PLANS TO CONQUER THIS ENTIRE PLANET
BEGINNING WITH THIS HIKIURI CLIFF
TSUNE-KAWA.
ERR, TSUNE-KAWA-KUN
WHAT'S THE DEAL...?
COUNT ME IN!
HOLY CRAP THAT SOUNDS WICKED!
WORLD DOMINATION?
YOU'VE REALLY OUTDONE YOURSELF WITH THIS IDEA!!
OOH- I GET IT! THAT STARS LIKE YOUR EMBLEM OR SYMBOL, RIGHT!?
WITH A MACHINE
STILL THE PEANUT!!
MOVING ALONG. HOW ARE WE SUPPOSE! TO CONQUER THE WORLD FROM OUR LITTLE HIDEOUT!?
A MACHINE?


AN INVINCIBLE ROBOT
PRE-CISELY
WORLD DOMINATION AS A CONCEIVABLE GOAL REQUIRES ONLY A SINGLE NECESSARY ELEMENT. A SUBSTI-TUTE THAT WILL OBEY OUR EVERY WILL AND DESIRE.

LET'S BUILD AN INDESTRUCT-IBLE ROBOT LIKE IN TETSUKYOUSIN #30 OR STEEL BOY WATOMO!!
HE'S ON THE RIGHT TRACK
INVIN-CIBLE!? ROBOT!?

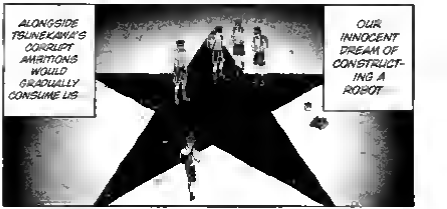
PRE PARATIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN CARE OF
DON'T WORRY.

ARE KIDS LIKE US SUPPOSED TO BUILD A ROBOT?
J-JUST HOW

THE APPROPRIATE TIME HAS ARRIVED TO INTRODUCE OUR LATEST DYNAMIC AND IRREPLACABLE COMRADE.
WE'RE MAKING OUR VERY OWN ROBOT!!!
AREN'T YOU GUYS EXCITED!?
YEAH!
COMRADE
HUH?
REVEAL YOURSELF
I BELIEVE AN INTRODUCTION IS REQUIRED

DENTAKU.
PROGRAMMER OF THE MACHINE'S THOUGHT PROCESSOR

AT THIS POINT IN TIME, WE HAD NO WAY OF TELLING


ALONGSIDE TSUNEKAWA'S ADORLEPT AMBITIONS, WOULD GRADUALLY CONSUME US.
OUR INNOCENT DREAM OF CONSTRUCTING A ROBOT

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notes and shit:

PAGE 08:
THERE WASN'T ENOUGH ROOM TO TYPESET THE BOOK TITLES LISTED ON THEIR SPINES. THE TITLES ARE AS FOLLOWS.
LEFT BOOK: WORLD HISTORY VOLUME 3: RECENT EUROPEAN POPULATION BOOMS
BOOK TSUNEKAWA SELECTS: WORLD HISTORY VOLUME 4: THE SECOND WORLD WAR
RIGHT BOOK: WORLD HISTORY VOLUME 4: WESTERNIZATION OF ASIA

PAGE 09:
BOOK TSUNEKAWA SELECTS: ANTHOLOGY OF ROMAN BRUTALITY
UNFORTUNATELY THE OTHERS WERE UNREADABLE

PAGE 15:
DENTAKU'S NOTEBOOK: ILLEGIBLE. APPEARS TO BE MOSTLY NUMBERS

SOARING ABOVE THE CONSPIRACY, DIVING DEEPER INTO THE BIZARRE TRUTH OF THE MASTERWORK LITCHI☆HIKARI CLUB!!!!!

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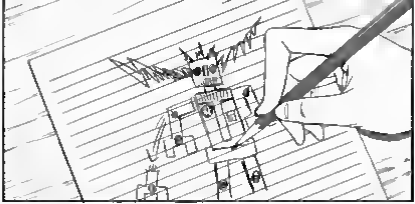
BOKURANO LITTLE HIKARI CLUB

CHAPTER FOUR

DREAM☆MACHINE

古屋兎丸

Toumaru Furuya



BOOSTER ROCKETS TO MAKE IT FLY ARE SO HAPPENING!

WOULDN'T YOU AGREE IT SHOULD COMBINE INTO A FINAL FORM?
HEY GUYS

LAUNCHING BEAMS FROM THE EYES IS A STAPLE
OBVIOUSLY

TSUNEKAWA'S DECLARATION HAD COMPLETELY POSSESSED ALL THREE OF US
COMBINING? ANYWAY?
ZOOMING THROUGH THE SKIES, LAUNCHING ITS ROCKET ARMS TO EFFORTLESSLY WIPE OUT THE ENEMY

CREATED WITH THE ULTIMATE PURPOSE OF WORLD DOMINATION
BUILDING AN INVINCIBLE ROBOT FROM OUR OWN DESIGN

THE BEST PART WAS THAT WE WERE BRINGING THIS STORY TO LIFE ALL BY OURSELVES.
UHMM, HOW'S IT SUPPOSED TO WALK?
WHAT DYA THINK?
SUDDENLY, OUR LIVES SPIRALED INTO MADNESS! WE WERE ENJOYING OUR OWN SPECIAL ADVENTURE JUST LIKE CHARACTERS FROM A SCI-FI MANGA.

NOTHIN' AT ALL!
N-NOTHING IMPORTANT!

HOWDY NICO
HEY WHAT ARE YOU GUYS DRAWING?
QUICK!

CHECK IT OUT, NICO! WE'RE PLANNING OUT BLUEPRINTS FOR A REAL ROBOT!
TAMIYA-KUN!?
SHHHH!

YOU GOT IT!
GUESS WHAT'S THE BEST PART? WE'RE PLANNING ON CONQUERING THE ENTIRE PLANET WITH OUR ROBOT!

A RO-BOT...?

NICO, I GOTTA ASK
WANNA HELP US DEVELOP THE ULTIMATE ROBOT?

EARTH?
CON-QUER.

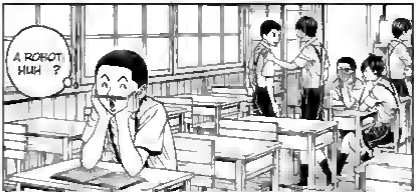
IM-PRES-SIVE AIN'T IT!?
TAMA-STRAIGHT.

AND THAT MEANS NO COMPLAINING! FROM EITHER OF YOU!!
GUYS, DON'T FORGET JIM THE LEADER OF OUR HIKARI CLUB!!
QUIT INCLUDING HIM FOR NO REASON
TAMIYA-KUN!!
WHY DO WE GOTTA HANG WITH HIM OF ALL PEOPLE
DENIED~
I'D...
I'D NEVER PASS UP AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK TOGETHER WITH YOU GUYS...
I...
I

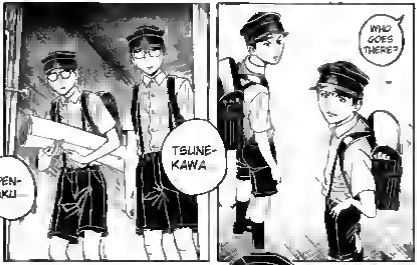
WAAA-
LLLLLLLL
FINALLY BEING CALLED UPON FOR ASSISTANCE AFTER WAITING FATIENTLY FOR SO LONG

I WOUST THAT'LL BE NECES SARY
HEHEH, YOUR LIFE MUN?

I'LL MAKE THE BEST DAMN ROBOT ANYBODY'S EVER SEEN!!
IN FACT YOU HAVE MY WORD THAT I LL STAKE MY VERY LIFE ON DES GNING THIS ROBOT TO BE THE BEST IT CAN BE!!


A ROBOT HUH ?

AIN'T IT JUST THE COOLEST!?
SO THIS IS THE LEGENDARY HIKARI CLUB!!
WOND-ROUS!
W-


DEN-TAKU
TSUNE-KAWA
WHO GOES THERE?
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THE FRESHEST MEMBER OF THE HIKARI CLUB
MEET NICO!

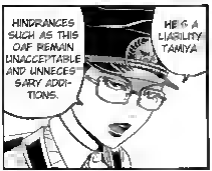
HUMOR ME, WHAT SIGNIFIT ACCOMPANIES ACCEPTING THIS NICO FELLOW?

WHAT SPECIAL-TIES?

NOTHING REALLY
S-SPECIAL-TIES?

A NEW MEMBER?

SAVE YOUR COM-PLAINTS FOR YOUR SELF
I I'M THE LEADER, DAMMIT


HINDRANCES SUCH AS THIS OAF REMAIN UNACCEPTABLE AND UNNECES SARY ADDI-TIONS.
HE'S A LIABILITY, TAMIYA

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I'LL CARVE AWAY MY VERY LIFE TO WORK FOR THIS CLUB!
COUNT ON IT!!

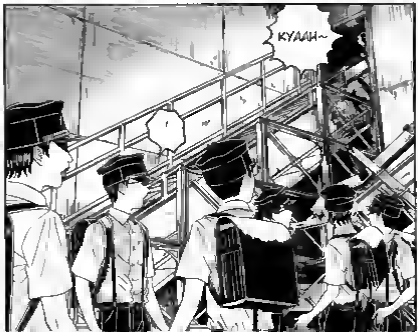
I WILL SERVE YOU, HOWEVER YOU DESIRE!
REGARDLESS OF THE DIFFICULTY FEEL FREE TO ASSIGN ME THE MOST ARDUOUS TASKS! I WON'T EVER REFUSE.
WORKING HARDER THAN EVERYONE ELSE

ACHIEVE SUCCESS TODAY AND YOU WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED
HOWEVER TAMIYA EXERCISE UTMOST CAUTION FROM TODAY FORTH DURING MEMBER SELECTION

WITHOUT AN IMMACULATE FOUNDATION, THE ENTIRE ORGANIZATION WILL CRUMBLE AFTER ALL.
ESSENTIALLY, WE ARE AKIN TO NAZI GERMANY'S GESTAPO UNIT.

AHOH
A SECRET STATE POLICE!

BEATS ME
WHAT'S A GEST APO?

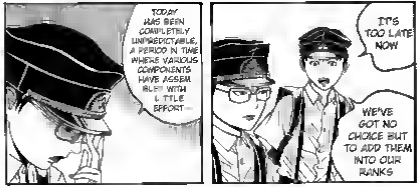

KYAAH~

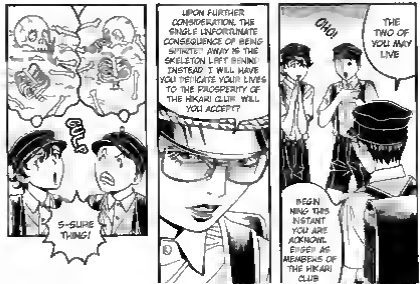
JACOB?
OH
WHO'S THERE?
JACOB YOU JUST PELT UP MY PRECIOUS BUM DIDN'T YOU!?
SHHHH HHH~
ARA
GOOD JOB YOU GOT US CAUGHT~
WHICH RY THE WAY IS MARVELOUS!
BRINGING UP ROBOTS GETS US REAL EXCITED YA KNOW! HEHEH BEFORE I KNEW IT WE WOUNT UP AT YOUR MIDOUT!
H-HOW IS EVERYBODY DOIN? AFTER OVERHEARING YOUR GROUP TALKING ABOUT BUILDING ROBOTS, WE COULDN'T RESIST FOLLOWING YOU TAMIYA KUN

OH, NEVER!
FREEZE
CIAO ♡
DON'T MIND ME BOYS. I'M JUST A MIDDLE TAG-ALONG
NOW THAT OUR GRANDIOSE SCHEMES HAVE BEEN UNVEILED
DON'T BELIEVE YOU CAN RETURN TO THE SURFACE WITHOUT ADEQUATE PUNISHMENT
WILL BE DISPOSING OF THESE TWO
VERY WELL. YOUR TASK
NO? IF MEMORY SERVES CORRECT, YOU OFFERED YOUR SERVICES FOR ANY TASK REGARDLESS OF TARGET.
DISPO-SAL...?
Y-YE/AH

YOU'RE GOIN' OFF THE DEEP END BOSS!!
WHOA WHOA WHOA!
AYOOOO~
ESSENTIALLY SPIRITED AWAY IF YOU FOLLOW
H-HOLD YOUR HORSES CHIEF. WHADDYA MEAN "DISPOSE OF US"!?
THE NAME'S YAMADA KOBUHEI
BUT FEEL FREE TO CALL ME JACOB!
NOW HERE'S A SANE IDEA. HOW ABOUT WE JOIN YOUR LITTLE CLUB!?
HMMM. MY SPECIALTY IS
OOH, ME NEXT THEY CALL ME RAKUGO CHAN.
...
SHORT
OOK
OOK
I'M ESPECIALLY PROUD OF MY SKILL TO MAKE PEOPLE BURST INTO LAUGHTER.
CHECK IT!

ALLOW ME TO DESIGN AN ADORABLE COSTUME FOR OUR PRECIOUS ROBOT!
NONE OTHER THAN MAGNIFICENT SEWING SKILLS!
EHEE, I ALSO ADORE MAKEUP!


TODAY HAS BEEN COMPLETELY UNPREDICTABLE, A PERIOD IN TIME WHERE VARIOUS COMPONENTS HAVE ASSEMBLED WITH LITTLE EFFORT...
IT'S TOO LATE NOW
WE'VE GOT NO CHOICE BUT TO ADD THEM INTO OUR RANKS


EEK!
S-SURE THING!
UPON FURTHER CONSIDERATION, THE SINGLE UNFORTUNATE CONSEQUENCE OF BEING SPARED AWAY IS THE SKELETON LEFT BEHIND. INSTEAD, I WILL HAVE YOU INDICATE YOUR LIVES TO THE PROPERTY OF THE HIKARI CLUB. WILL YOU ACCEPT?
OHO!
THE TWO OF YOU MAY LIVE
BEGINNING THIS INSTANT YOU ARE ACKNOWLEDGED AS MEMBERS OF THE HIKARI CLUB

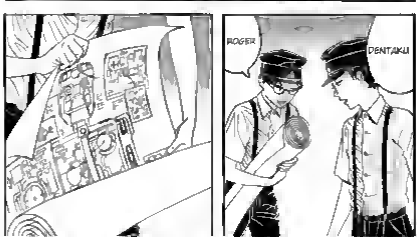
WOULDN'T YOU AGREE THAT YOUR ACTIONS ARE BORDERING ON CARELESS?
TAMIYA

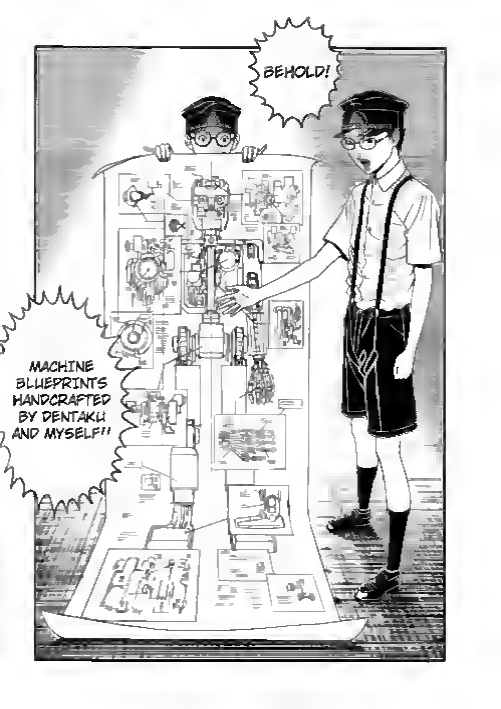
SPECIFICALLY AT FAULT WAS BEING UNAWARE OF FOLLOWERS ATTEMPTING TO GATHER INTELLIGENCE ON OUR MACHINE PLANS
ENLISTING NEW MEMBERS SIMPLY ON A WHIMSICAL BASIS WILL ONLY RESULT IN UNFORESEEN COMPLICATIONS

SORRY FOR MESSING UP
I GUESS.
LIKEWISE, THERE WILL BE NO DISCUSSION OF OUR MACHINE BEYOND THE CONFINES OF OUR HIDEOUT. OUTSIDERS MUSTN'T KNOW A SINGLE DETAIL.
FROM THIS POINT FORWARD THERE WILL BE NO MENTION OF THE HIKARI CLUB OUTSIDE THESE BOUNDARIES

YESSIR!
YES!
YOUR RESPONSE, FELLOW?!
LOOKS LIKE TSUKEKAWA'S TRYING TO PUSH HIMSELF INTO THE LEADER POSITION

FOR TODAY GENTLEMEN OUR MACHINE SCHEME TRULY INITIATES
BEAR WITNESS TO THE PROVIDENCE WITHIN THIS SWITCH!


ROGER
DENTAKU


BEHOLD!
MACHINE BLUEPRINTS HANDCRAFTED BY DENTAKU AND MYSELF!!

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DESPITE BEING COMPOSED OF A SIMPLE ROUGH LINEART DESIGN, THE FINAL CONCOCTION WILL FOLLOW THESE BASIC PRINCIPLES.
WOW~!
INSANE!

GENUINE INTELLIGENCE AND THOUGHT ONE THEIR PRESTIGE TO A MASSIVE YET POWERFUL PROCESS OR TIMECOSABLE LOGIC PROGRAMMING ALLOWS THE MAIN COMPUTER WITHIN THE MACHINE TO SUCCESSFULLY INTERPRET AND GENERATE AN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE TO OUR INSTRUCTIONS
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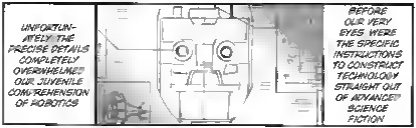
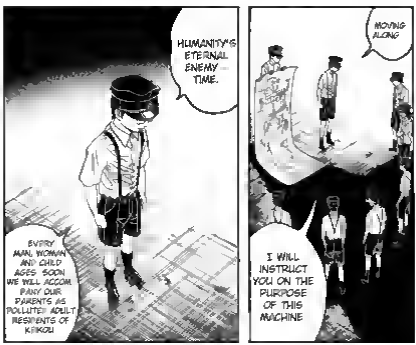
EVERYONE INSTANTLY BECAME SPEECH-LESS


UNFORTUN-ATELY, THE PRECISE DETAILS COMPLETELY OVERWHELMED OUR JUVENILE COMPREHENSION OF ROBOTICS
BEFORE OUR VERY EYES WERE THE SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS TO CONSTRUCT TECHNOLOGY STRAIGHT OUT OF ADVANCED SCIENCE FICTION

WITHIN A MATTER OF SECONDS, I UNKNOWINGLY ASCENDED INTO THE REALM OF ADULTHOOD!
I WAS BLANKETED WITH A MYSTERIOUS SENSATION

MOREOVER, I CONTINUED BLANKLY STARING AT TSUNEKAWA'S VISAGE WHILE HE EXPLAINED HIS MASTERPIECE...

THIS MAGNIFICENT BASTARD WOULD BECOME MY TRUE NEMESIS
LITTLE DID I REALIZE AT THE TIME


HUMANITY'S ETERNAL ENEMY... TIME.
EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD AGES SOON WE WILL ACCOMPANY OUR PARENTS AS POLLUTED ADULT RESIDENTS OF KEIKOU
MOVING ALONG
I WILL INSTRUCT YOU ON THE PURPOSE OF THIS MACHINE

GENTLEMEN WE WILL DEFY AGE AND TIME ITSELF...
DESPITE THAT YOU'VE CHOSEN WELL TO PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO OUR CAUSE

EHEH
HOW'S THAT WORK?
H-
?

SPECIFICALLY THE AGE OF FOURTEEN HAS INCREDIBLE SIGNIFICANCE!!
UPON THE DAWN OF OUR FOURTEENTH YEARS THIS MACHINE WILL COMPLETE PRODUCTION!

LIKEWISE WE WILL ASCEND OUR MUNDANE ROLES TO BECOME RULERS OF KEIKOU WHILST FOURTEEN!!
ELAGABALUS THE YOUNG EMPEROR OF ROME, ASCENDED TO THE IMPERIAL THRONE WHEN HE WAS ONLY FOURTEEN!!

PURSUING OUR TRANSCENDENT AMBITION WE WILL THEN MARCH FORWARD TO CONQUER THE ENTIRE WORLD!!
BORNE FROM THAT GLORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT WE WILL REMAIN ETERNALLY FOURTEEN!
WE SHALL NEVER TAINT THE PURITY OF YOUTH LOST THROUGH ADULTHOOD!!

WAVING OVER THEIR HEADS

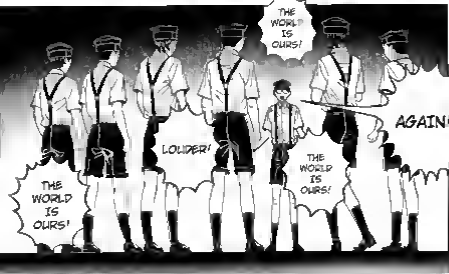
VERY WELL PUTTING THINGS IN SIMPLE LAYMAN'S TERMS SHOULD SUFFICE
MY GRANDIOSE EXPLANATION WAS SIMPLY TOO ADVANCED IN CONTENT
NATURALLY I PRECONCEIVED EVERY LAST ONE OF YOU COULD NOT SUCCESSFULLY COMPREHEND THESE MACHINE BLUEPRINTS

ADVERSELY
WOULD IT NOT BE PREFERABLE TO ETERNALLY LINGER IN THE REALM OF YOUTH AND PURITY RULING THE EARTH?
IMAGINE GROWING OLD IF YOU WILL
BLOATED WITH EXPANDING ROLLS OF FAT YOU FRANCE AROUND COVERED IN YOUR OWN FILTH, AND DIE MISERABLY

I AGREE
HMMM. WHEN YOU PUT IT THAT WAY I'VE GOT NO CHOICE
CAN I CHOOSE THE WORLD?
I IF I MAY ANSWER
SHADOWING LATHUM
SOUNDS FUN!
RULING THE EARTH?
NO QUESTIONS ASKED
EASILY.
FINALLY. RAIZOU-CHAN'S CHANCE TO BECOME THE WORLD'S MOST BEAUTIFUL MAIDEN HAS ARRIVED!!
BUTT-ANAL'S ON YOUR SIDE!
STIRS MY HEART INTO A FRENZY!!
YOUR DECLA-RATION

WITH UN-QUESTIONABLE CLARITY!!
WONDERFUL, NOW ADDRESS YOUR REPLIES!

I CHOOSE THE WORLD!
CONQUER THE WORLD!
THE EARTH
RULE THE EARTH


THE WORLD IS OURS!
AGAIN!
LOUDER!
THE WORLD IS OURS!
THE WORLD IS OURS!

THIS HIKARI CLUB
ALLOWS ONLY THE CHOSEN CHILDREN WITHIN ITS LEAGUES!!
THE WORLD IS OURS!
THIS MARVELOUS CONCEPTION WILL ONLY BE POSSIBLE FOR US GENTLEMEN!
THE WORLD IS OURS!
THE WORLD IS OURS!

HYPNOTIZED AND CAPTIVATED I JOINED IN WITH THEIR FRENZY
THE WORLD IS OURS!
THE WORLD IS OURS!

THE ENTIRE GROUP WAS DRUNK WITH ENTHUSIASM AND ASPIRATION
KING OF THE WORLD!!
BEAUTIFUL QUEEN OF THE WORLD ♡
INCLUDING OUR NEWEST COMRADES, JACOB AND RAIZOU!

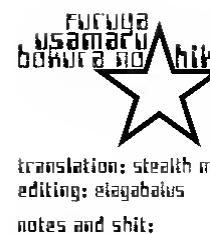
CLEARLY IT WAS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME AND OPPORTUNITY TO UNLEASH HIS TRUE PERSONALITY
THE WORLD IS OURS!
EVEN SO, TO THE MOST WITHDRAWN OF ALL REALIZED HIS OWN PASSIONATE DESIRE TO RISE ABOVE AND CONQUER. IT WAS A RULE OF HIM NOBODY HAD EVER HIT NEARBY BEFORE.

WORLD CON QUEST
ETERNAL YOUTH
MACHINE BLUE PRINT
SECRET HIDEOUT
THE WORLD IS OURS!
THE WORLD IS OURS!
THE WORLD IS OURS!
THE WORLD IS OURS!

THROUGH HIS EYES, HE WAS SIMPLY DIRECTING CHILDREN TOWARDS HIS PATH OF DIVINE MONARCHY
TSUNEKUMA'S CHARISMA EXUDED ITS OVERWHELMING EFFECT THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE ROOM. HIS MEGALOMANIACAL DREAMS WERE WELL ON THEIR WAY TO REALITY

REPROGRAMMED OUR VERY MENTALITY TO FOLLOW THE PATH OF THE BLACK STAR ENSHROUDING HIS VERY EXISTENCE
AND SUCH, TSUBAKI-KAWA...
THE WORLD IS OURS!!

THE FRESHEST MEMBER OF THE HIKARI CLUB
MEET WILL!



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WE CAN'T EITHER

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KNEE JOINTS ARE KILLING ME TODAY
YOWZA.

PUBERTY HIT ME LIKE A TON OF BRICKS IT FELT LIKE I GREW TALLER ALMOST EVERY DAY
TIME FLEW BY SUDDENLY WE WERE SIXTH YEARS

SCANDALOUSLY PRESSING FORWARD! GAZING THROUGH TIME TO TEAR OUT THE ROOTS OF THE MASTERPIECE -ITOCHI-HIKARI CLUB!!!!

【CHAPTER FIVE】

CRUEL☆BOY

古屋兎丸

ぼくらのヒカリクラブ

PLAY WITH ME!!
BIG BROTHER

I KEEP TELLING YOU. IT'S A SECRET YOU DON'T TELL JUST ANYBODY YOUR AGE-CRISIS!!

GIMME A BREAK, TAMIYA! I'VE GOT IMPORTANT BUSINESS TODAY.
BUT IT'S SUNDAY~
HOW COME YOU'RE ALWAYS LEAVING THE HOUSE?

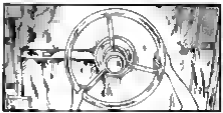
GOOD MORNING MISTER TAMIYA!
MOR-NING
YO

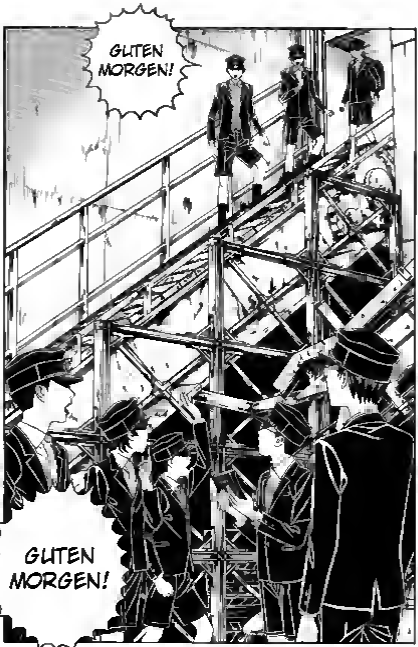
LUCKY~
THIS MORNING MY KNEES WOULDN'T STOP BOWING
SEEMS LIKE IT
TAKAYA-KUN, DID YOU GET TALLER AGAIN?

I COULDN'T STAND BEING SHORTER THAN YOU, KANEDA!
WHAT?

CAN'T LET DAFU BEAT ME AFTER ALL.
SAME HERE

WISH I COULD GROW OVERNIGHT, JUST LIKE YOU.




GUTEN MORGEN!
GUTEN MORGEN!

HERE!
PRESENT~
EINS, NICO!
ZWEI, RAIZOU!
PROCEEDING WITH ROLL CALL!
LATELY TSUNEKAWA'S BEEN PUSHING THE EMPHATIC USE OF "GERMAN DURING CLUB OPERATIONS.
PERSONALLY I THOUGHT IT WAS A NEAT TWIST ON NORMALLY DULL FARTS.
PRESENT
DREI KANEDA.
VIER, DENTAKU.
HERE
I ASSUME YOU FELLOWS HAVE ACCOMPLISHED THE PERSONALLY ASSIGNED TASKS DISTRIBUTED
YES, SIR!

PROCEDURES TOWARDS ASSEMBLING OUR RAMSHACKLE PROCESSING UNIT HAVE MORE OR LESS HIT A WALL.
STICK LEK, AIN'T HE?
TANIZAKUN PREFENT
CHAOTICALLY SPREAD ACROSS OUR WORKBENCH ARE THE FEW FINISHED MECHANICAL PARTS
THUS FAR, EVERYONE HAS PRECISELY FOLLOWED TSUNEKAWA AND DENTAKU'S BLUEPRINTS.
HONESTLY, IT WAS FAR MORE ENTERTAINING THAN YOU'D EXPECT. KINDA LIKE ASSEMBLING A SUPERSIZED PLASTIC MODEL.

ANOTHER FAILURE KANEDA?
AW
PLEASE REASSEMBLE THIS
KANEDA, THIS IS UNSATISFACTORY

COUNT ON ME TO COVER UP FOR THE MISTAKES MADE BY THAT FOOL KANEDA!!

FURTHERMORE YOU COMPLETE SO MANY WITHOUT ASSISTANCE!!
NICO YOUR PARTS ALWAYS TURN OUT PERFECTLY!

I AM TRULY IMPRESSED! BY YOUR CONSTANT DEDICATION AND HARD WORK NICO
ALLOWING YOU INTO OUR EXCLUSIVE CLUB HAS PAID OFF!! NOTHING BUT AWFUL BENEFITS

CONTINUE TO ACCELERATE IN GROWTH AND MATURATION!!
WITH THE PASSING OF EACH DAY, OUR BODIES

HOWEVER, IN OUR EXCEPTIONAL AGGREGATION EACH STEP TOWARDS ADOLESCENCE BRINGS US CLOSER TO DEATH!!
SOCIALLY, THIS IS CONSIDERED A BLESSING SOMETHING TO BOAST OVER AND RUN AMOK WITH PRIDE

MATUR-ATION = DEATH
I SINCERELY EXPECT E CH OF YOU TO TAKE THOSE WORDS TO HEART, GENTLEMEN!!

BEARING COMPLETION OF OUR UNSTOPPABLE MACHINE WE OURSELVES SHALL BECOME INVINCIBLE!
WE ARE THE SHINING EXCEPTION AMONGST THE FILTH ROTTING THIS WORLD!!
HOWEVER, THE YOUTHFUL RIVER OF CHILDHOOD PUMPING THROUGH OUR BODIES MUST NOT RUN DRY!!
RATHER THAN THINK AND DECIDE A COURSE OF ACTION OURSELVES, TSUNEKAWA'S SPEECHES PARALYZED THE MIND FORCING ANY LISTENER TO WHOLEHEARTEDLY BELIEVE HIS WORDS
LOOK UPON ADULTHOOD WITH DISTASTE AND PRIDE SINFULLY ACKNOWLEDGING THE FLOW OF TIME AND FLOWING INTO MATURITY IS A SIN ITSELF
WORKING LIKE A PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL TEAM WE BECAME COMPLETELY SUCKED INTO A DELUSIONAL WORLD OF MADNESS AND ETERNAL YOUTH.

BEFORE OUR MACHINE MUST ACHIEVE OPERATIONAL STATUS!!
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FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR DAYS REMAIN

OR PUBERTY AS THE ADULTS REFERRED TO IT SLOWLY GRASPED US ALL
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THIS OUR GROWTH...

WHOA, TAKE A LOOK AT THIS ONE!

SHE'S SUCKING ON HIS WEINER~~
WOW~

WHOA WHOA!
HOLY SMOKES~ THIS IS SUPER DIRTY!
SO HOT!!

WAH!
AH!

I REALLY DON'T GET WHAT'S SO CRAZY ABOUT ALL THIS

RIGHT KANEJI?
TAMIYA-KUN YOU MUST HAVE A SCREW LOOSE OR SOMETHING!
YUP

JUST MAYBE YOU'RE
CHEEKY LITTLE BUGGERS

LET GO, TAMIYA-KUN~
QUIT HIDING YOUR BONERS GUYS!
OWWW-CH!
AFTER THAT!?
HEY WAIT FOR ME!
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ゴウン

ALTERATIONS TO THE BODY INCLUDING HEIGHT AND STATURE TO CREATE A MASCULINE PHYSIQUE SUDDEN EMERGENCE OF MATING FEATURES WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE SAME SPECIES
SO THESE ARE THE EFFECTS OF THE SEXUAL HORMONE ANDROGEN

MUST EVEN I BE SUBJECT SO SUCH AN UNPLEASANT TRANSFIG URATION
WHY...?

HAHA!
LOOK!
NO WAY!

POWER LINES.♪
TOSHIYA.
ORUNGES.♪

KIMURA ♪
SPOON.
COLLAR-BONE.
ZERA ♪

*THE JAPANESE WORD FOR GELATIN IS "ZERACHIN"

AH. THE BOY WHO ALWAYS SAYS ONE WORD AT A TIME. HE'S A NOTORIOUS ECCENTRIC.
SO TO SPEAK.
DEN-TAKU
WHAT INFORMATION DO YOU HAVE ON THE AMEYA BOY SINGING STRANGE SONGS TO/NT
APPARENTLY HE HAS A DISTURBING HABIT OF TERRORIZING OTHER STUDENTS BY KILLING ANIMALS AND LEAVING THEIR REMAINS IN THE DESKS OF HAPLESS VICTIMS
BEFORE YOUR TRANSFER TO TH S SCHOOL PEOPLE ATTEMPTED INTERACTION WITH HIM. HOWEVER, THEY'D ALWAYS BREAK CONTACT WITHIN THE SAME DAY THEY INITIATED IT
THEREFORE HE MUST HAVE ACCESS TO A LARGE STOCK OF CHEMICALS AND DRUGS
AMEYA PRIVATE CLINIC
HE S THE SON OF THE TOWN'S MAIN PHYSICIAN.

IT BECAME QUITE A MAJOR ISSUE THROUGHOUT TOWN.
OCCASIONALLY HE WOULD INVITE HIS FELLOW CLASSMATES INTO HIS HOME WHERE HE WOULD ANESTHETICS

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KYAHA~

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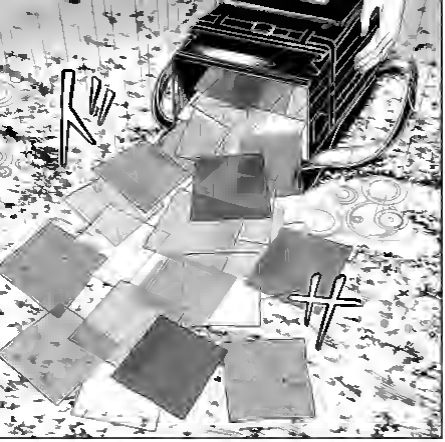
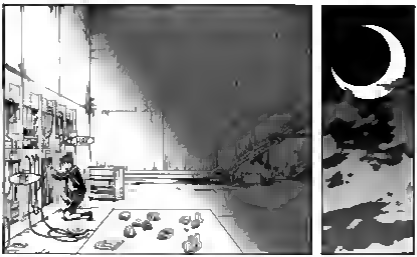
CAN I HELP YOU?
KYAHA~
YOUUUU~ REMIND ME OF GELATIN PAPER
ALLOW ME TO SHOW YOU
GELATIN PAPER?



THESE ARE GELATIN PAPER SHEETS. ?

WHY DO I RESEMBLE GELATIN PAPER?
GO ON.
AND YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL
IT FEELS LIKE YOU COULD VANISH INSTANTLY
VARIABLE COLORATION
TRANSLUCENCY
ZERA?
ZERA!
THAT'S WHY YOU ARE ZERA!
JAIBO.
WHY THAT?
OH PLEASE CALL ME JAIBO IF YOU WOULD!

KYAHA~
BECAUSE I JUST FEEL LIKE IT



TODAY WAS THE FIRST TIME I'VE ENCOUNTERED SUCH AN INCOMPREHENSIBLE BOY
CLICK
...
SNAP

MEOW
ZERA
IF YOU ASK ME...
IT'S NOT A BAD TITLE
FELINE
COULD I HAVE FORGOTTEN TO SEAL THE ENTRANCE?
AAAA
!?
YUP

SWOOSH
SWITCH

I'M NOT "YOU!"~

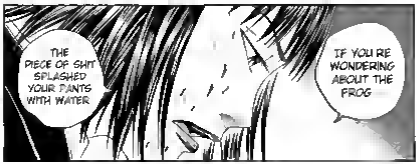
WHEN DID YOU SNEAK IN
YOU!

KYAHA~
I SAID, CALL ME JAIRO

BECAUSE IT RUBBED AGAINST YOUR PRECIOUS LEG ZERA
I KILLED THE KITTY

WHY DID YOU DECIDE UPON KILLING THAT CAT?

WHAT?


THE PIECE OF SHIT SPLASHED YOUR PANTS WITH WATER
IF YOU'RE WONDERING ABOUT THE FROG

THROUGH MY EYES ANYTHING THAT DIRTIES MY WONDERFUL ZERA IS BEYOND FORGIVENESS BE IT CATS OR FROGS
OR EVEN HUMAN BEINGS

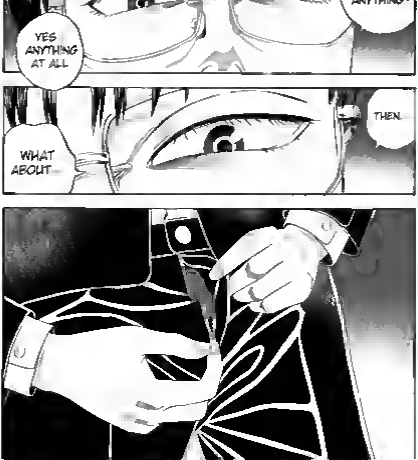
YOU
ARE ATTRACTED TO ME, THEN?

A HOMO-SEXUAL?
ARE YOU...
cize
NEVER HEARD THAT WORD BEFORE. COMPLEX TOPICS FLY RIGHT OVER MY HEAD.
I MEAN
YOU ARE QUITE FEMININE
KYAHA~
I'VE KNOWN ALL ABOUT YOU FOR A LONG TIME ZERU
ABOUT YOUR SO-CALLED HIKARI CLUB
TRUTH IS I'D LIKE TO JOIN YOUR LITTLE GANG

I WANT TO BE THE ONE CLOSEST TO YOUR HEART
REGARD-LESS OF WHAT IT TAKES

REGARD-LESS OF ANYTHING?
YES ANYTHING AT ALL

THEN.
WHAT ABOUT



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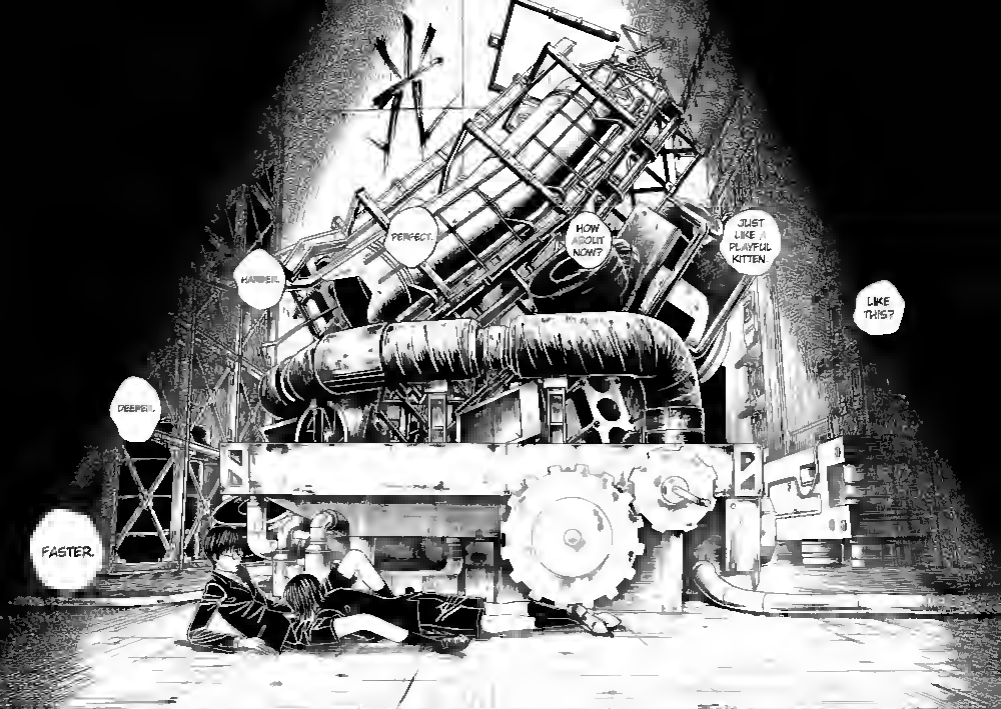
FASTER.
DEEPER.
HARDER.
PERFECT.
HOW ABOUT NOW?
JUST LIKE A PLAYFUL KITTEN
LIKE THIS?

JAIBO!
PRESENTING BEFORE ALL, ANOTHER MEMBER AMONGST OUR ELITE RANKINGS!
KYAHA~
PLEASED TO MEET YOU ALL

HE'S AN INFAMOUS NUTCASE
IT'S OBVIOUSLY AMEYA-KUN
JAIBO? HE'S PRETTY GIRLY IF YOU ASK ME

HE TALKIN' TO ME?
LISTEN UP MISTER FROWNY!
JA-I-BO KYAHA~
MY NAME IS JAIBO

YOU SHALL ALL REFER TO ME AS ZERA!
ADDITIONALLY. FROM THIS DAY FORTH

ZERA...
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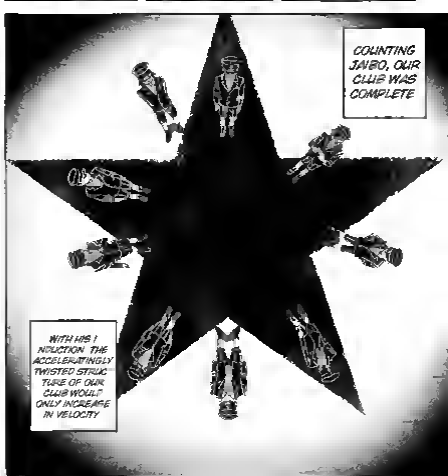
ZERA?


COUNTING JAIBO, OUR CLUB WAS COMPLETE
WITH HIS INDUCTION, THE ACCELERATINGLY TWISTED STRUCTURE OF OUR CLUB WOULD ONLY INCREASE IN VELOCITY

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notes and shit:

ZERA IS ZERA AS IN ZERACHIN
WE'VE COVERED THIS BEFORE. BUT ZERA'S NAME COMES FROM THE JAPANESE WORD FOR GELATIN "ZERACHIN" AND WAS ORIGINALLY MENTIONED IN ONE OF THE LHC 4KOMA THAT RAN IN EROTICS F. "ZE" IN JAPANESE SOUNDS CLOSER TO "GE" IN ENGLISH THAN "GE" IN JAPANESE WOULD. AS FOR WHY HE'S NOT CALLED GELA?

1 IT SOUNDS STUPID
2 IT SOUNDS STUPID
3 IT SOUNDS STUPID

OH, THAT KID? HE TOTALLY WANTS YOUR JUNK
HE'S KINDA OKAY GRAY
DEN-TAKU
WHAT INFORMATION DO YOU HAVE ON THE AMEYA BOY SINGING STRANGE SONGS TODAY?

SUMMER, SIXTH YEAR OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.
I SHALL NOW DELIVER A REPORT ON CURRENT MECHANICAL SYSTEM COMPLETION STATUS
PERSONAL PROGRESS ON THE MACHINE'S COMPUTING PROCESSOR HAS SURPASSED THE 76% MARK
OVERALL COMPLETION RATE CALCULATED AT 52%
THE DYNAMO ENGINE'S ASSEMBLY AND OPERATION ARE SQUARED AT 68%!
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PINTAKUN'S PROGRAMMING DUTIES HAVE MOVED TO 46% COMPLETION!

TWISTING AND TURNING THROUGH TH PAST, INCREASING ENERGY
TEARING OUT THE DARKNESS OF LITCHI☆HIKARI CLUB
PERHAPS IT WAS THE ARRIVAL OF HIM, JAHO, THAT WARPED OUR LIVES EVEN FURTHER.
RECENTLY, WE ADMITTED THE ENIGMATIC BOY AMEYA INTO THE HIKARI CLUB'S CIRCLE
NYAA
【CHAPTER SIX】
WASTELAND☆EMPEROR
古屋兎丸
ぼくらのLitchi☆Hikari Club

EINS NICO
MEANWHILE THROUGH ASSEMBLY AND ATTACHMENT OF THE JANITRICE GIRL
NEXT AGENDA EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU, DELIVER PERSONAL PROGRESS REPORTS AT ONCE!!
VIER, FÜNF TAKU
IMPROVING PROGRAMMING BASICS AROUND COMMON KNOWLEDGE AND EVERYDAY SIMPLE OPERATION!!
DREI, KANEDA
EXCELLENT! FRUMGWONK MAKING GOOD PROGRESS SO FAR.
ZWEI, RAIZOU
POLISHING UP WORK ON THE FACE TO MAKE OUR MACHINE BODY RELIANT DOWN TO HIS NUTS AND BOLTS!
SIEBEN, JACOB
GIVIN' OUR METALLIC FRIEND A CHEEK SHAPELY DOING
THAT'S A PRETTY YOUNG HOOF, YEAH!
SECHS TANYA
DOIN' MY BEST TO WORK OUT THE KINKS ON THE DYNAMO ENG NE'S CRANKSHAFT
FÜNF DAFU
INSTALLING THE SHOULDER COGWHEELS BOSS

WHAT JOB'S SO IMPORTANT THAT YOU MUST SKULK OFF INTO THE CORNER TO FINISH ? JASPO?
WELL, WELL
KYAHA~
FROG DISSECTION, SILLY!
...
...

OLD MAID
OLD MAID
YEAH!
HEY!
WRAAAAGH! JAIBO!
SHIT YOU SPOOKED ME HARD~
HOW COME YOU'RE ALWAYS SO GLUM?
PSSST KANEDA

EVER THOUGHT ABOUT KILLING YOURSELF?
I SAY IF YOU'RE GONNA BE GLOOMY DO SOMETHING MORE DEPRESSING
HUH?
HMMM, PARTY POOPER~
WHAT THE HELL'S WRONG WITH YOU!? I'VE NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT SUICIDE EVEN ONCE!
SHOCK
KYAHA~
IF YOU ASK ME LIVING DOESN'T SUIT YOU VERY WELL MY DEAR KANEDA.

WH-
WHADDYA WANT NOW JAIBO?
STARE~
THE SHOULDER.
DEAD OR ALIVE REGARDLESS YOU'LL ALWAYS BE FLITTERING ALONG THE SHOULDER OF THE ROAD
DAFU, EITHER WAY IS FINE FOR YOU
WHAT THE HECK'S GOING ON?
DAFU KANE-DA
KYA HA~
KYA HA~
YEAH YOU BETTER RUN!
PISS OFF, JERK!
WE GOTTA DISCUSS SOMETHING REAL QUICK!
TAMIYA-KUULIN~

MAYBE IF HE WAS BORN A LADY, I'D TAKE HER OUT ON A DATE. MAKE HER MY GIRL-FRIEND!
AIN'T JAIBO SIMPLY ADORABLE?

KYAAAA HHNN~
BUT YOU JUST CREEP ME OUT!
HOW RUDE!
IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT CUTENESS, KAI-CHAN IS ROYALTY AMONGST EVEN QUEENS!

GUESS THAT MAKES YOU 10 TRILLION TIMES CREEPIER!!
DONK
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TAKE THAT BACK THIS INSTANT, YOU BABOON!
YOU'RE AT LEAST 10 BILLION TIMES CREEPIER THAN MYSELF JACOB!!

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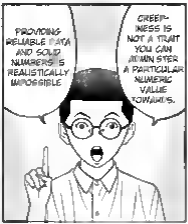
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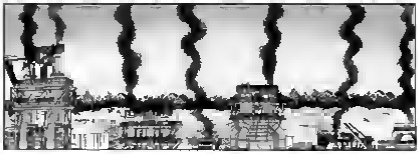
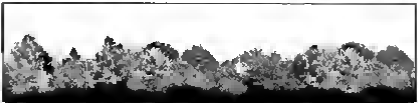
CREEPINESS IS NOT A TRAIT YOU CAN ATTRIBUTE A PARTICULAR NUMERIC VALUE TOWARDS.





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THIS IS THE SOURCE OF FUNDING BEHIND OUR ROBOT DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
A LITCHI GROVE
WHERE ARE WE ZERA?
LITCHI ARE OUR FOUNDATION AND FUEL OUR HOPES FOR THE FUTURE

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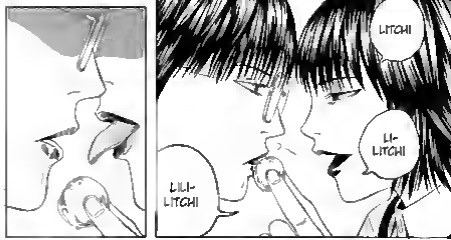
LITCHI
LI-LITCHI
KYAHA!
LILI-LITCHI!
HEH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LILI-LITCHI

LITCHI
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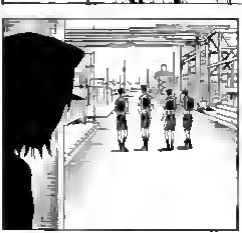
THERE'S JUST SOMETHING ABOUT HIM THAT DRIVES ME CRAZY!
I CAN'T STAND IT
SAME
I DON'T LIKE HIM EITHER.
HEATS ME
WHY DID JAIBO EVEN BOTHER JOINING THE HIKARI CLUB IN THE FIRST PLACE?
YOU DO HAVE A POINT
BUT
COME TO THINK OF IT DURING MY ADMISSION, ZERA ASKED "WHAT BENEFIT ACCOMPANIES ACCEPTING THIS NIGO FELLOW?"
BUT HE JUST LETS THAT WEIRD BASTARD IN AT THE DROP OF A HAT!!

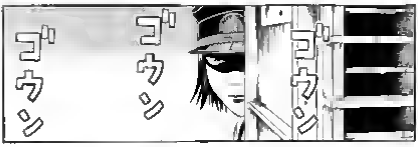
SINCE YOU'RE THE CLUB LEADER, ISN'T THERE ANYTHING YOU CAN DO ABOUT ABOLISHING HIM FROM OUR RANKS?
TAMIYA.

I CAN'T SHAKE THAT FEELING!
HE'S GOING TO SINGLE-HANDEDLY RUIN THE HIKARI CLUB.

THAT SHITHOLE TOLD ME TO COMMIT SUICIDE
NO PLACE FOR PEOPLE LIKE THAT IN OUR CLUB!
BY IT MAKES ANY DIFFERENCE, WE SUPPORT THAT MOTION FULLY, TAMIYA-KUN.



I HEAR YOU, GUYS.
GUESS I'VE GOTTA TAKE SOME ACTION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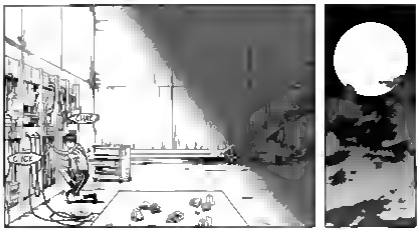


PILFERED SOME-THING FOR YOU

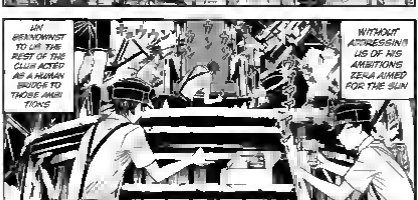
ZERA~

THIS MUCH...?
GANKED IT FROM MY FATHER'S HIDDEN STASH
NOT A PROB-LEM
CAN I REALLY HAVE THIS?
THIS WILL HEAVILY BOLSTER OUR PROG-RESS.
GAUGING FROM THE PILE HE'S HOARDING SNATCHING THAT MUCH SHOULDN'T BE NOTICEABLE.
KYAHA~

LEAVE EVERY-THING IN MY HANDS ZERA!
GRIN
MY DREAM WILL FINALLY BE ACCOM-PLISHED CREDIT TRULY BELONGS TO YOU, JAIBO
FUNDING SHOULD BE MORE THAN COVERED WITH THIS AMOUNT OF CASH
OF COURSE JAIBO
TELL ME ZERA
CAN WE BE TOGETHER FOREVER?
YES
IS IT TRUE THAT TAMIYA IS THE LEADER OF THE HIKARI CLUB?
TAMIYA AND HIS CRONIES ARE REAL TROUBLE
JUST ONE PROB-LEM

AND YOU'RE FINE WITH THIS, ZERA?
...
A KING
NAY, AN EMPEROR
WHAT TYPE OF PERSON OVER-RULES LEADER-SHIP?
SOME-ONE FIT TO RULE THE ENTIRE WORLD
THEN ALL YA GOTTA DO IS DECLARE YOURSELF AS THE EMPEROR!
!
SO OBVIOUS
THE EMPEROR YES
YOU HAVE THE MAKINGS OF A GENIUS JAIBO

KYAHA~
HARK! BEHOLD YOUR FUTURE EMPEROR!
AND FOR THAT EXPRESS PURPOSE...
I SHALL ACCOMPLISH THIS IN THE NEXT TEN MOVES WITH ABSOLUTE CERTAINTY!!


AH BEHOLDMIST TO LM THE REST OF THE CLUB ACTED AS A HUMAN BRIDGE TO THOSE AMBITIONS
WITHOUT AGGRESSIN!! US OF HIS AMBITIONS ZEKA AIMED FOR THE SUN

INDEED TO SUPPORT HIM EVEN FURTHER AN IMPOSING AND BIZARRE FIXTURE WAS CONSTRUCTED ATOP A RAISED PEDASTAL
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COMPLETED PRECISELY AS REQUESTED!
FINISHED?

AH! A SEAT FIT FOR RAICHAN, THE QUEEN!
PERHAPS A NEW ASSEMBLY AREA?
BUT WHAT THE HECK IS THE POINT OF THIS BIG CHAIR?
UNFORTUNATELY IT IS MISSING THE MOST NECESSARY COMPONENT
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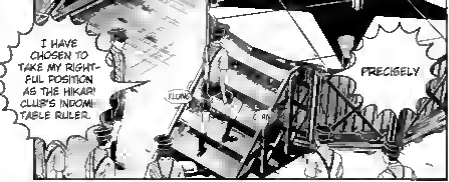
THRONE?
THRONE OF THE EMPEROR!


I HAVE CHOSEN TO TAKE MY RIGHTFUL POSITION AS THE HIKARI CLUB'S INDOMITABLE RULER.
PRECISELY

ON THIS GLORIOUS DAY, EMPEROR ZERA IS CROWNED!!
KYAHA~
ZERA
EMPEROR.

I HAVE ASCERTAINED YOU QUALIFY FOR THE HEAD POSITION IN MY IMPERIAL GUARD: THE SCHUTZ-STAFFEL
WILL YOU ACCEPT THIS PROMOTION?
MOVING ALONG NICO.

ESSENTIALLY AS HEAD OF THE IMPERIAL GUARD OUR LIVES SHALL GRADUALLY BECOME ENTWINED WITH YOUR DUTY TO PROTECT AND EXTEND MY OWN LIFE.
EXACTLY

HEAD OF IMPERIAL GUARD?

IN OTHER WORDS, YOU WOULD BE MORE THAN "EINS" IN NAME
CORRECT
I WOULD BE THE HEAD?
YOUR ROLE AND PURPOSE FOR LIVING WOULD BECOME "EINS".

I'LL TAKE THE POSITION, ZERA!!
A-ABSO-LUTELY!

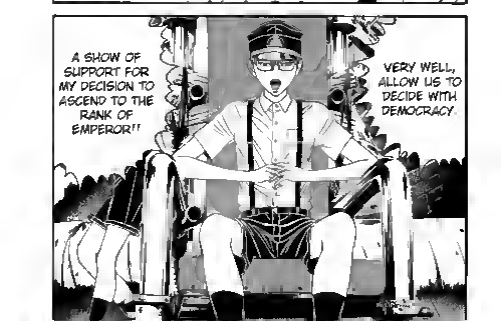
WE'VE BEEN TALKING THINGS OVER.
AND MOST OF US HAVE DECIDED JAIRO—

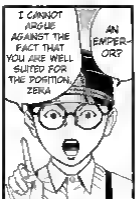
E-SLOW DOWN, NICO

MMPH!

I REALIZE YOU ARE THE CLUB LEADER.
HOWEVER, ZERA IS THE EMPEROR.
TAMIYA, ZERA'S DECISIONS ARE ABSOLUTE.

DON'T ACCEPT THESE CHANGES WITHOUT US DISCUSSING THEM.
S-STOP THAT, NICO!


A SHOW OF SUPPORT FOR MY DECISION TO ASCEND TO THE RANK OF EMPEROR!!
VERY WELL, ALLOW US TO DECIDE WITH DEMOCRACY.


I CANNOT ARGUE AGAINST THE FACT THAT YOU ARE WELL SUITED FOR THE POSITION, ZERA
AN EMPEROR?

KYA-HA~
I CONSENT

NATURALLY, YOU HAVE MY APPROVAL, ZERA!

W-WAIT A SEC, YOU GUYS
TAMIYA-KUN CREATED THE HIKARI CLUB!

JUST KIDDING
NOPE, THIS DOESN'T TURN OUT LIKE THE EMPERORS OF THE YOUJI SHA.
I'VE GOT NO COMPLAINTS

IN THAT CASE, I GIVE MY SUPPORT ♡
CAN I BE THE EMPRESS, THEN?

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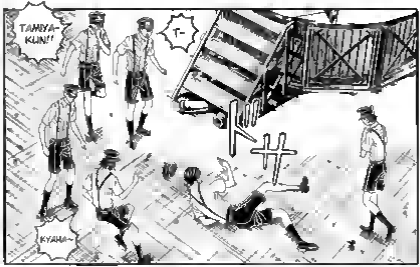
THIS IS GETTING OUTTA LINE!
DAFUQ RIGHT

I DECLARE MY ASCENSION TO THE THRONE AS LEGITIMATE AND HEREBY SHALL BE REFERRED TO AS EMPEROR ZERA!
ALL VOTES HAVE BEEN CAST.
THE EMPEROR'S REIGN HAS BEEN ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIS SUBJECTS!!

WHA-
SPILL

GRAB

WHAT DID YOU JUST...!

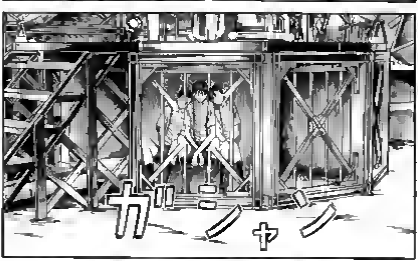

TAMIYA-KUN!!
T-
KYAHA~

C-CAN'T BRE...
HRGH

NNO

RESTRAIN KANEDA AND DAFU!
NICO!

KYA-HA~
NOOO!
KYA-HA~
ALIGH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REGRETFULLY TAKING YOU OUT OF COMMISSION IS CRUCIAL TO PROTECTING MY POSITION AS RULER
EVIDENTLY YOUR FOREIGHT IS EXPECTEDLY POOR, GENTLEMEN. OTHERWISE YOU WOULD NOT FIND YOURSELVES IN THIS SITUATION

NOW COOL OFF IN YOUR HUMBLE ABODE I LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR FUTURE COOPERATION
HOW SURPRISINGLY ELEMENTARY
PRECISELY WHAT HAPPENED NEXT IS DIFFICULT TO REMEMBER.
AS A RESULT
RATIONAL THOUGHT QUICKLY DISSIPATED FROM WHAT LITTLE CONSCIOUSNESS REMAINED. "JURO MUST HAVE INJECTED US WITH SOME KIND OF TRANQUILIZER. THE WORLD CONTINUED TO SWIRL INTO A GOOPY MESS REFLECTING OUR CURRENT SITUATION
OUR MINDS FOCUSED ON THE ONLY THING THAT PIERCED THROUGH THE SOUP: ZERA'S COMMANDING VOICE

I AM THE EMPEROR.
SUBMIT TO MY WILL!
OBEY MY COMMANDS!
I AM THE ABSOLUTE EMPEROR, ZERA...
PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE...

COULDN'T CLOSE MY EYES. DRUG MUST'VE BEEN DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY FOR BRAIN-WASHING OR HYPNOSIS
BOUND-TED
AND HOT
I REMEM-BER BEING EXTREME-LY HUNGRY
NO CLUE HOW LONG WE WERE MESSED UP
I AM THE EMPEROR YOU WILL SUBMIT TO MY WILL
ONCE AGAIN. LISTEN CLOSELY
WILL YOU PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO MY RULE?

I ACCEPT
YEAH.
YOU BET.
Y-
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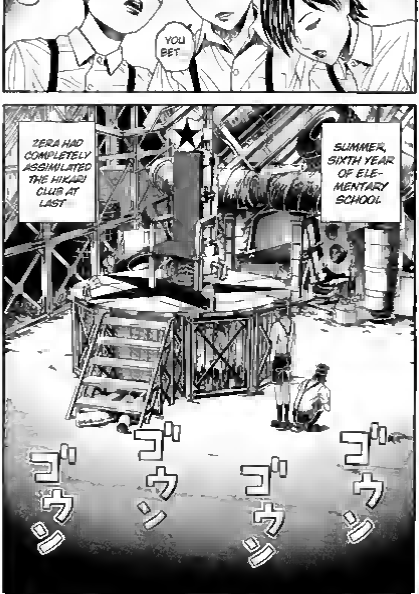
SURE.


ZERA HAD COMPLETELY ASSIMILATED THE HIKARI CLUB AT LAST.
SUMMER, SIXTH YEAR OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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